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In re Application of:)
Mitsuo HORIKAWA) Group Art Unit: 1771
Application No.: 10/046,286) Examiner: J. Boyd
Filed: January 16, 2002) Confirmation No.: 2337
For: SLIDE FASTENER TAPE) **Mail Stop AF**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 1, 2004, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.



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